

## **Section by Section: H.R. 1119, *Research and Development Efficiency Act***

Introduced by Rep. Barbara Comstock (R-VA) and cosponsored by Rep. Eddie Bernice Johnson (D-TX), Rep. Lamar Smith (R-TX) and Rep. Dan Lipinski (D-IL).

### **Section 1. Short Title.**

Research and Development Efficiency Act

### **Section 2. Regulatory Efficiency.**

This section includes a sense of Congress highlighting the problems with higher administrative costs for performing research.

This section requires the Director of OSTP to establish a working group under the National Science and Technology Council to review federal regulations affecting research and research universities. The working group, which will include the Office of Management and Budget, is tasked with making recommendations on how to harmonize, streamline, and eliminate duplicative Federal regulations and reporting requirements, as well as recommendations on how to minimize the regulatory burden on institutions of higher education performing federally funded research. The working group is instructed to take into account input and recommendations from non-Federal stakeholders.

The Director of OSTP must report to Congress within a year of enactment, and annually thereafter for three years, on what steps have been taken to carry out the recommendations of the working group.